REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Title of Publication: Sarap.m1v

Other Known Title: Not Stated

Format: Computer Moving Image File

Director/Author: Not Stated

Producer/Publisher: Not Stated

Country of Origin: Not Stated

Language: Not Applicable

Classification: Objectionable.

Descriptive Note: Not Applicable.

Display Conditions: Not Applicable

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Date of direction to issue a label: Not Applicable

Applicant: New Zealand Police

Applicant to the Labelling Body: Not Applicable

OFLC No: 500893

Unexcised version of publication:

	Components	Running time
Feature:	Sarap.m1v	0.13
Other timed components:	Nil	
Total running time:		0.13

Excisions: No Excisions Recommended

Reasons for excisions:

Not Applicable

Summary of reasons for classification:

The computer moving image file entitled *Sarap.m1v* is classified as: Objectionable.

The publication graphically depicts a couple involved in behaviour that is mostly likely an example of coprophilia, a condition characterised by sexual arousal or desire involving excrement and defecation. By recording an act of coprophilia for others to view, with the likely purpose of providing titillation to viewers, the publication is advancing coprophilia as a legitimate activity and making it more likely such activity will continue to be contemplated and practiced by others. The publication therefore promotes and supports the use of excrement in association with sexual conduct.

The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression, as set out in section 14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. This outcome is consistent, however, with Parliament's intention that publications falling under section 3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the use of excrement in association with sexual conduct.